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In response to the Notice of Allowance dated December 23, 2005 and the Examiner's request, Applicant submits herewith a copy of the Declaration and Power Of Attorney signed by the inventor, for filing in the above-referenced patent application. This Declaration and Power of Attorney was previously filed with the original application on February 18, 2004. The Declaration was requested by a Notice of Informal Application that was included with the Notice of Allowance. The Notice of Informal Application is dated June 8, 2004, but Applicant did not previously receive the Notice of Informal Application.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for new addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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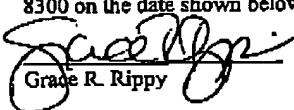


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